

1 July 1982  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS  
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group  
SUBJECT : Jordan Bureau Monthly Report - June 1982

## I. GENERAL

A. Ambassador Viets called a special meeting of Embassy staff and their dependents on 24 June to discuss the Lebanese situation and the possible impact it might have on the Embassy and U.S. citizens in Jordan. While saying that no trouble was expected, the Ambassador advised people to take special precautions on the way to and from work and to ensure that they were thoroughly familiar with the Embassy security procedures.

B. A march by students on the Embassy never got off the ground 30 June when they found that there were as many security men at the appointed gathering place as there were students.

C. An increase in the number of military personnel assigned to the Defense Attache's Office threatened to present a space problem within the Embassy until the Ambassador came up with what he thought was the perfect solution--have seven AID personnel move in with FBIS for 6 months, or even permanently. The grand plan called for two people to take over the secretary's office, another the kitchen, a third the technician's shop and three more plus the displaced tech the shipping and property offices next door simply by punching a couple of doors through the cement wall. Both the FBIS Chief and the AID Director thought it was a "terrific" plan and immediately began gathering facts and figures to scuttle it. Two days later the Ambassador conceded defeat but no one is quite sure whether he did it because it was cheaper to rent AID office space rather than remodeling FBIS or because he didn't cotton to 18 hungry Arabs grumbling at him.

## II. OPERATIONS

### A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Following the attack on the Israeli ambassador in the UK and the subsequent Israeli attack on Beirut, Duty Editor [ ] contacted the DCM at the American School baseball field, informed him of the situation and then met him upon his arrival at the Embassy with the relevant

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material organized and the most important passages marked. She then assisted him in establishing his priorities and contacting the appropriate people. In appreciation, the DCM sent a memo to FBIS commending [ ] for her "excellent support."

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2. As of 4 June, the Bureau expanded its operating hours in order to cover Syrian media from sign-on to sign-off, and from 9-13 June was operating 24 hours a day during the height of the Lebanese crisis.

3. Since 7 June, VOP has been inaudible here, resulting in Nicosia assuming our evening coverage of VOP while we have been taking its Cairo MENA and Domestic Service from 0500 to 2200 GMT. In addition, Gulf has assumed our coverage of San'a Domestic and SUNA.

4. The Embassy in Damascus became so inundated with material during the Lebanese war that a minimize on all traffic was put into effect. However, after FBIS cut way back on its filing, the Embassy realized just how much it depended on FBIS material, saying that the lack of it hampered its own reporting, and requested that we resume filing on the Lebanese crisis and Syria immediately.

5. Various offices in the Embassy here have also expressed appreciation for FBIS material. The Political Section passed all material on military movements to the DAO, which found it invaluable in plotting the progress of the war on its wall map. The Ambassador also praised FBIS, singling it out at a country team meeting for its "excellent support" and "timely reporting" during the current crisis.

6. As a result of the Lebanese crisis, three times the usual amount of teletype paper was used during the month.

### III. ADMINISTRATION

#### A. Personnel

1. Chief Monitor [ ] received a 25-year pin.
2. Monitor [ ] was promoted to FSN 9/3.
3. Monitor [ ] married a former Bureau monitor on 6 June, but quickly rejected suggestions that he postpone his honeymoon until the conclusion of the Lebanese crisis.
4. Technician [ ] was selected to attend the foreign national familiarization week in Headquarters in September.

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5. Teletypist [redacted] was operated on for an infected cyst on 24 June and is scheduled to be out of work three weeks.

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#### IV. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

A. FBIS staff houses are the first in the Embassy to be equipped with water purification systems, thereby eliminating the need to boil water and pour it through candle filters before drinking it.

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Chief, Jordan Bureau

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## ATTACHMENT A

## JORDAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JUNE 1982

## I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	221,440
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	74,290
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	899

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	7,965	20,085	57

## III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

BAHRAIN		
MANAMA WAKH IN		
ARABIC		0
CLANDESTINE (IRAN AND IRAQ)		
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRANIAN KORDESTAN IN		
BAHDINANI KURDISH	0	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRANIAN KORDESTAN IN		
SURANI KURDISH	0	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI PEOPLE IN		
ARABIC	920	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN		
ARABIC	0	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN		
BAHDINANI KURDISH	0	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN		
SURANI KURDISH	460	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN		
ARABIC	0	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN		
BAHDINANI KURDISH	0	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN		
SURANI KURDISH	90	
CLANDESTINE (LEVANT)		
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN		
ARABIC	4350	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN		
ENGLISH	320	
EGYPT		
CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	11320	
CAIRO MENA IN		
ARABIC		23890
FRANCE		
PARIS AL-MUSTAQBAL IN		
ARABIC		1940
PARIS AL-WATAN AL-'ARABI IN		
ARABIC		0
IRAQ		
BAGHDAD VOICE OF THE MASSES IN		
ARABIC	1230	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	28270	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
BAHDINANI KURDISH	0	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
SURANI KURDISH	0	

BAGHDAD INA IN	1210
ARABIC	
BAGHDAD INA IN	
ENGLISH	
BAGHDAD AL-JUMHURIYAH IN	
ARABIC	0
BAGHDAD ATH-THAWRAH IN	
ARABIC	0
ISRAEL	
JERUSALEM IN	
ARABIC TO THE ARAB WORLD	3870
JERUSALEM AL-FAJR IN	
ARABIC	0
JERUSALEM AL-MITHAQ IN	
ARABIC	0
JERUSALEM AL-QUDS IN	
ARABIC	0
JERUSALEM ASH-SHA'B IN	
ARABIC	0
JERUSALEM AT-TALIA'H IN	
ARABIC	0
JORDAN	
AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	23660
AMMAN DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	3720
AMMAN DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN	
ENGLISH	0
AMMAN PETRA-JNA IN	
ARABIC	2210
AMMAN AD-DUSTUR IN	
ARABIC	760
AMMAN AKHBAR AL-USBU' IN	
ARABIC	0
AMMAN AL-UFUQ IN	
ARABIC	0
AMMAN AR-RA'Y IN	
ARABIC	1510
AMMAN JORDAN TIMES IN	
ENGLISH	5000
MONACO	
MONTE CARLO RADIO MONTE CARLO IN	
ARABIC	21360
QATAR	
DOHA QNA IN	
ARABIC	930
SUDAN	
KHARTOUM SUNA IN	
ARABIC	530
KHARTOUM SUNA IN	
ENGLISH	0
SYRIA	
DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	35590
DAMASCUS DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	8780
DAMASCUS SANA IN	
ARABIC	1590
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	
ABU DHABI WAM IN	
ARABIC	0
UNITED KINGDOM	
LONDON REUTER IN	
ENGLISH	7930
YEMEN (YAR)	
SAN'A' DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	1350

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ATTACHMENT B

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

1. Total wirefiled FBIS wordage during June 1982 was 295,730, an increase of 100,030 compared with May 1982. The highest daily total was 16,760 on 20 June, while the lowest was 5,010 on 2 June. The daily average was 9,858 compared with 6,313 in May 1982.

2. All wordage was filed over the Embassy  circuit, but for 790 words filed via telex.

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3. The following is a breakdown of total outgoing/incoming wordage, figures include reruns:

<u>OUTGOING</u>	<u>WORDAGE</u>	<u>ITEMS</u>
FBIS	310,800	1,541
DAO/MAP	39,300	321
Svc Msgs	7,630	763
TOTALS	357,730	2,625

  

<u>INCOMING</u>	<u>WORDAGE</u>	<u>ITEMS</u>
FBIS	258,800	1,358
DAO/MAP	289,900	848
STATE	1,494,500	6,428
Svc Msgs	8,820	882
TOTALS	2,052,020	9,516

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ATTACHMENT C

ENGINEERING REPORT

1. RECEIVED

1. One Panasonic recorder MDL RQ-413AS S/N EB 919611  
from Nicosia.
2. Fifteen Dial Plates from Nicosia.

2. SENT

1. One Collins synthesizer VCO card A13, P/N 793-9337-003,  
for repair to Headquarters